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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
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In re the Application of

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For: CERAMIC HEATER WITH OFFSET ELECTRIC HEATING ELEMENTS IN THE THICKNESS DIRECTION

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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In reply to the October 18, 2002 Office Action¹, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please amend Figures 1-3, 5, 7-11 and 13 as set forth in the attached Request for Approval of Drawing Corrections.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 9, lines 4-25, delete current paragraph and insert therefor:

The ceramic substrate, which constitutes the primary element of the ceramic substrate in accordance with the present invention, may be preferably made by using a sintered

¹ The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was closed on February 18, thus the one-month extension due date is automatically extended to February 19.